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**Wylie Firefighters Ask Citizens to Fill-the-Boot for MDA**

**Wylie, TX, May 9, 2013** – Wylie Firefighters are teaming up with the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) and will hit the streets May 10-12 for the annual Fill-the-Boot fundraising campaign.

“With the help of our generous citizens we hope to shatter last year’s collection of close to \$11,000,” says Wylie firefighter Eric Owens. “I know our community can pull together and overflow our boots to help children suffering from neuromuscular disease.”

Funds raised by Wylie Fire Rescue and departments throughout the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex will benefit nearly 3,000 families who are affected by neuromuscular disease. Fill-the-Boot helps fund local MDA programs and services, including clinical visits, support groups, provides assistive medical equipment, and MDA summer camp opportunities for children. MDA has invested more than \$14 million in research funding in Texas over the last 5 years.

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MDA is a voluntary health agency working to defeat more than 43 neuromuscular diseases through global research, comprehensive client services and health education. MDA clinics serving the Dallas-Fort Worth area include The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Children's Medical Center of Dallas, Texas Neurology, Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth and Neurology Associates of Arlington.

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About Wylie -- Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall Counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, an ISO #1 rating and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population 43,000) is one of the fastest growing communities in the State of Texas with a 184% increase since 2000.